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LIST OF PRISONERS AND DISAPPEARED AFTER THE EVENT OF VIKEKE, AFTER THE BREAKDOWN OF THE CEASE-FIRE (August 1983)

Remark: we only mention those people who are easily identifiable, as the majority that is not on this list has maubere (Timorese) names

1) Teresa dos Anjos, over 40 years old, from the village of Kraras. She was imprisoned on the 11th of August 1984 by members of the Kodim of Vikeke and is now imprisoned in Vikeke. She was brutally beaten by the Kasi Satu.

2) Soldiers of the company of Battalion 745, stationed in Vikeke, were sent to search the whole village of Vikeke and imprisoned, amongst others, the following people:

- Abilio, 31 years old, born in Vikeke, - (20.8.1983)
- Marcelino Amaral, 30 years old, from Karau Balu -(21.8.83)
- Abilio Amaral, 26 years old, from Karau Balu -(21.8.83)
- Domingos Salsinha, 33 years old, from Uma Kik, - (30.8.83)
- Mario Pinto, 30 years old, from Balara Uain,-(4.9.1983)
- Adelino, 26 years old, from Karau Balu, - (7.9.1983)
- Alarico, over 50 years old, from Karau Balu - (8.9.1983)
- Guilhermino, over 30 years old, from Karau Balu - (13.9.1983)
- Jacinto, 35 years old, from Balara Uain - (13.9.1983)
- Duarte, 31 years old, from Balara Uain - (17.9.1983)
- Hermenegildo, 25 years old, from Karau Balu - (18.9.1983)
- Leonardo, 27 years old, from Karau Balu - (23.9.1983).

They were brutally beaten with the butt of a gun and stomped during their imprisonment and tortured during their interrogation in the Kodim. Domingos Salsinha, Mario Pinto, Guilhermino, Jacinto, Duarte, Hermenegildo and Leonardo are thought to be disappeared. The others continue to be imprisoned.

3) The functionaries of the Kodim also did not rest :

- Aida dos Anjos , 16 years old
- Maria Odete, 16 years old
- Mariana, 17 years old
- Domingas, 20 years old

- Cipriana, 19 years old
- Siza, 18 years old

all of them from the village of Vikeke were taken to the Kodim where they continue to be imprisoned.

4) The "nangallas" stationed in Ossu sent the following persons to the Kodim of Vikeke:

- Feliciano de Jesus, 29 years old, continues to be in prison (2.10.1983)
- Paulino da Silva, 30 years old, disappeared (2.10.1983)
- Celestino da Costa, 38 years old, was brutally beaten with the butt of a gun and punched (2.10.1983)
- Elias Guterres, 38 years old, brutally beaten (2.10.1983)
- Francisco Xavier, 30 years old, tortured with electric shocks (4.10.83)
- Filomeno da Costa, 22 years old, disappeared (4.10.1983)
- Agostinho Sarmento, 20 years old, tortured in Vikeke, disappeared (4.10.1983)
- Renugio da Silva, 26 years old, brutally beaten with the butt of a gun, punched and stomped, disappeared (4.10.1983)
- Domingos Sina, 27 years old, disappeared after his interrogation (4.10.1983)
- Domingos, about 40 years old, brutally beaten (4.10.1983)
- Acacio Guterres, 24 years old, disappeared (6.10.1983)
- Clementino da Silva, 29 years old,
- Feliciano do Anjos, 56 years old,
- Luis Soares, 39 years old

(the last three people were imprisoned by the local Koramil on the 5th of October 1983. They were beaten with the butt of a gun and stomped. They continue to be in prison in Vikeke).

- Cipriano Freitas, 41 years old, was beaten until bloody, continues to be in prison (10.10.1983)

5) More torture and beatings result necessarily in new imprisonments and the platoon 745 in Vikeke does not rest:

- On the 13th of October 1983, amongst others, the following people were imprisoned

- Armando Pinto, 27 years old

- Salvador Belo, 30 years old

Both of them were brutally beaten in the Kodim and today are thought to have disappeared.

- On the 14th of October 1983, amongst others, the following persons were imprisoned:
- Anastacio Soares, 23 years old
- Raimundo Pereira, 27 years old, from Wai Nori and living in Vikeke, thought to have disappeared.

- On the 10th of November 1983 Mariano Menezes, 49 years old, born in Uato Lon and living in Vikeke was taken to the Kodim and savagely beaten. He continues to be in prison.

6) As a result of the imprisonment of Mario Menezes, the local Koramil in Beaso, near Vikeke, in November sent the following people to the Kodim:

- Afonso Monteiro, 20 years old,
- Manuel Soares, 27 years old,
- Jeremias da Costa, 30 years old,
- Miguel Nogueira, 29 years old,
- Antonio de Carvalho, 53 years old.

(All of them were born in Lugaça (Mato Lari) and were living in Beaso. They were severely beaten which resulted in the imprisonment of another 26 people. About 10 of them are thought to have disappeared while the others continue to be in prison).

7) Aside from these people, the following persons were imprisoned in September and sent to Dili:

- Francisco Ximenes, teacher of the school of the Catholic mission
- Joao Bosco, in the colonial times he was the driver of the tourist office
- Fernando Gonzaga, in the colonial times he was a school teacher.

Afonso da Costa Rangel and Domingos Pinto of the tribe Taibileu/ Vikeke were in prison several times and since the beginning of the cease-fire were free in Dili. They were once again imprisoned in September 1983 and today it is thought that they were sent to the new "comarcas"(prisons) in Indonesia. The

same applies for the three people mentioned before them.

8) The male nurse Augusto Gusmao, born in Vemasse, persecuted since 1980 and several times imprisoned was beaten and tortured in September 1983. After one week he was freed and went back to work in the mission, or better to say in the school of Fatumaca . On the 17th of June 1984 he was called to the Kodim in Baukau, where he was beaten and freed on the 19th of June 1984. On the 21st of June, two days later, an armed section took him at night from his house. Until today we do not know the whereabouts of this man. Some members of Fretilin (who still survive the waves of imprisonments, disappearances and massacres) are in the same situation.

The method of terror used with literate people, who presumably could organize or orient clandestine organizations, (members of Fretilin or not) consists of calling them, detaining them for several days for interrogation, freeing them, calling them again, threatening them, freeing them again, calling them again, beating them, freeing them, calling them again, interrogating them, freeing them and going on like this continuously.

Later on we shall provide more information.

East Timor, resisting on the crush of the waves of crime and on the storm-winds of terror, in July of the 9th year of Armed Resistance.

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